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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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Applicant submits herewith a Japanese Office Action issued on April 22, 2008 in corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-287183, citing the following Japanese Patent Publications:

- 1. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 10-510061
- Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-194744
- Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-248838
- 4. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 05-257217
- 5. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 06-115152
- 6. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 10-151753

In compliance with the concise explanation required under CFR § 1.98(a)(e) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits a partial English translation of the Japanese Office Action, as well as English language abstracts for Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication Nos. 06-115152 and JP 10-151753. Applicants note that Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication Nos. 10-510061, JP 2001-194744, JP 2002-248838, and JP 05-257217 were previously cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 4, 2007, and thus are not submitted herewith.

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